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ANTITRUST COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH CHILE

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Reftel requested that Post approach Chilean antitrust agency and enquire whether negotiating a bilateral antitrust cooperation agreement remains a priority for Chile. Econ specialist contacted Monica Salamanca, Chief of Institutional Relations (in charge of the negotiations), from the Fiscalia Nacional Economica, on September 3. Salamanca informed econ specialist that she had already initiated contact with the Department of Justice (DOJ) regarding the bilateral trust agreement. She also said she had been in contact with the DOJ and Federal Trade Commission employees who would be attending the Latin American Competition Forum September 8 and 9. Post has tentatively scheduled a meeting with Salamanca the week of September 21. Please advise if there are additional questions you would like us to pursue at that time. Contacts for Post on this issue are EPOL Officer Grace Choi (primary) and econoff Alexander "Sasha" Kasanof (backup).
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